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To Whom it May Concern,

Regarding the Microsoft settlement, I have read the proposed settlement and I do NOT believe that the current proposal provides adequate reparations to those injured by Microsoft's anti-competitive behavior. Hundred, even thousands, of small companies have ceased to exist over the decades because of Microsoft's business practices.

Even after being found guilty of being an illegal monopoly, Microsoft's behavior has not changed. Regulation of their behavior, with the threat of severe criminal penalties for failure to comply, is the only remedy that I can see will curtail them. The market must be able to return to a state of competition.

The current proposal is not nearly strong enough to protect the long-term interests of this country's businesses and consumers. Failure to increase the penalty will merely encourage Microsoft to continue its anti-competitive practices and ensure that a non-competitive climate will exist and stifle innovation for future generations as well.

Thank you for your time.

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